NOTICES

INTENT TO SOLE SOURCE

The South Carolina Department of Health & Environmental Control (DHEC) intends to increase funding on its existing contract with Luminex Corporation for the purchase of Cystic Fibrosis (Newborn Screening) DNA assay kits. The newborn screening program, mandated by Section 44-37-30 of the South Carolina Code of Law, requires the testing of all newborns born in South Carolina for specific metabolic disorders. This increase is needed for the increased volume of testing required by DHEC Public Health Laboratory. The total dollar amount of the increase is \$150,000 for the duration of the contract expiring August 9, 2021.

PROTESTS:

If you are aggrieved in connection with the intended award or award of the contract, you may be entitled to protest, but only as provided in Section 11-35-4210. To protest an award, you must (i) submit notice of your intent to protest within five (5) business days of the date this notice is posted, and (ii) submit your actual protest within fifteen days of the date this notice is posted. Days are calculated as provided in Section 11-35-310(13). Both protests and notices of intent to protest must be in writing and must be received by the appropriate Chief Procurement Officer within the time provided. The grounds of the protest and the relief requested must be set forth with enough particularity to give notice of the issues to be decided. Any protest or notice of intent to protest must be addressed to the Chief Procurement Officer, Materials Management Office, and submitted in writing (a) by email to: protest-mmo@mmo.state.sc.us or (b) by post or delivery to: 1201 Main Street, Suite 600, Columbia, SC 29201.

Qualified vendors should contact Whitney Carswell at carswewp@dhec.sc.gov by **Midnight ET**, March 13, 2020.